

ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

A handling system for incorporation in a trailer is used with palletized freight. The handling system incorporates a segmented, translatable platform. Among the segments is a principal or main segment which supports the palletized freight during shipping. The main upper surface of each of the segments is a conveyor. The conveyors are aligned from segment to segment to allow cooperative movement, respacing and unloading of the palletized freight on and between the segments and off of an end segment. The platform translation system allows the platform to be extended from an open end or side of the trailer. The segmentation of the platform allows the end and a mid segment to lower a piece of palletized freight to a surface below the level of the main segment of the platform.